

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Methods and apparatus for providing restrictions on long distance calls from
5 wireless communication devices which operate in a wireless communication network
are described. The wireless devices are preferably combined voice and data
communication devices. In one illustrative example, each wireless device receives and
stores long distance call restriction information which is pushed from a private
computer network through the wireless network. During typical operation, a wireless
10 device determines whether call attempts from the wireless device are restricted by the
long distance call restriction information. If a call attempt is restricted by the long
distance call restriction information, the wireless device restricts the call attempt from
the wireless device and provides for a call restriction alert indication (e.g. an alert tone
or visual text). If a call attempt is not restricted by the long distance call restriction
15 information, the wireless device allows the call attempt from the wireless device.
Advantageously, control over long distance calls may be established on a per-user basis
in the private home network.